These are some of the core homework projects that will be set by staff. Dates will be down to individual staff. It is acceptable for students to alternatively complete any of these projects themselves. Credit will be given towards the Walton Baccalaureate qualification

Year 8: WW2 homework guide

2: The key battles of WW2

You are going to complete a project on the key battles of WW2. It is expected that you will research and report on at least two key battles of the war.

Some ideas are as follows. This list isn’t exhaustive.

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* Battle of Iwo Jima
* Battle of Stalingrad
* Battle of El Alamein
* Fall of Singapore
* Operation Market Garden

I expect you to complete a brief chronology of the battle, and an explanation of why it is a key battle in the war

**1: The home front in WW2**

You are going to complete a homework project on aspects of the Home Front.

You must include the following sections:

 A front page

 A contents page

 Information about Rationing

 Information about Evacuation

 Information about the Blitz (for example: bombing; blackouts; bomb shelters; gas masks)

 Information about the role of women in war (for example: the kind of jobs women did to help the war effort)

 Information about the Home Guard (for example: the number of men who signed up and why; the jobs they did)

4: The Holocaust

You are going to complete a project on the holocaust. It is expected that you will research and report on the events and human impact of the holocaust

Areas that I would like you to look at:

* Life of Jews in Germany 1933-1939
* Life in the Ghettos
* Locations of the camps
* Life in the camps. This may include some individuals stories.

Please be mindful in your research on this topic. Use the school library and reputable websites. Two advised sites are:

<https://www.hmd.org.uk/>

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5: what was the Russian revolution?

A key actor in the second world war was the leader of USSR- Joseph Stalin. He lead the world’s only Communist state in 1939. What was the nations’ history?

* Who was Tsar Nicholas II and what had happened to him?
* What did Communists believe in?
* What happened during the February revolution in 1917?
* What happened in the October revolution in 1917?
* Who was Joseph Stalin?

6: What happened at the end of war?

Leading into GCSE study, it is important to understand the context of the end of war. IN 1945, we end one conflict, but stumble into another: The Cold War. Why was this.

I want you to produce a report/project on the this. Some ideas are listed below

* The capture of Berlin in 1945
* The Yalta conference 1945- what was it? What was agreed?
* The end of war in Japan- the atomic bomb
* The Potsdam conference 1945- What was it? What was agreed?